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### Documents considered to be relevant:

Category	Relevant to claims	Identity of document and passage or figure of particular relevance
X	1	EP 1072302 A1 (VON ROLL UMELTTECHNIK AG) See figure 2 and paragraph 26 of the description, noting how the regenerating gas inlet is provided with a 'nozzle' containing heater 134. → 340
A		GB 871750 (CHEMICAL CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION) See the figures, noting the headers located within the absorber vessels adjacent to the gas inlets.
A		US 5213593 (WHITE, Jr) Acknowledged prior art document which is an example of a heater located within a vessel for use in the absorption of a component from a gas.
A		US 3193985 (SIGGELIN) Another acknowledged example of a heater located within a vessel for use in the absorption of a component from a gas.

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